



Law Enforcement and Victim Services Division

PUBLIC NOTICE

Applications for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2005 funding through the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) program are due to the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) March 31, 2005.

As the State Administering Agency (SAA), the Office of Emergency Services (OES) is applying to BJA for the JAG allocation to the State of California in the amount of \$36,125,542 for law enforcement programs.

Please see page two of this announcement for additional information regarding the JAG program. Page 3 describes the FFY 2004 distribution of Byrne funds for your reference.

Jurisdictions eligible to apply directly to BJA for the JAG discretionary funds were notified on February 8, 2005. These applications are also due to BJA by March 31, 2005.

Comments may be sent to denise.marble@oes.ca.gov.

Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program FFY 2005

What is JAG?

Congress established the JAG program in the 2005 Omnibus Appropriations Package. Essentially, JAG combined the Edward Byrne Memorial Formula Grant (Byrne) Program and Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) Program into a single program.

JAG is expected to streamline justice funding and grant administration allowing states and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system.

What Impact will JAG have on funding in California?

As a result of a reduction in the Congressional appropriation and a change in the formula used to pass funds through to the states, JAG will significantly reduce the amount of drug control and criminal justice funding in California in 2005.

The JAG funding formula provides a 60/40 split of funds between the state and local agencies with 60% managed by the Office of Emergency Services (OES) as California's State Administering Agency (SAA), and 40% managed from the federal level by the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA).

Reduction in Congressional Appropriation

- 2004 Byrne federal appropriation \$475,000,000
- 2004 LLEBG federal appropriation \$115,000,000
- **Total 2004 funding (Byrne & LLEBG) =** **\$590,000,000**

- 2005 JAG appropriation (population formula) \$247,750,000
- 2005 JAG appropriation (Part I Crime formula) \$247,750,000
- **Total 2005 JAG federal appropriation =** **\$495,500,000**
 - A net reduction of <\$94,500,000>

2004 Byrne/LLEBG vs. 2005 JAG

- 2004 Byrne (Population based) \$50,238,677
- 2004 LLEBG (Part I Crime based) \$16,428,618
- **Total 2004 Byrne and LLEBG =** **\$66,667,295**

- 2005 JAG (Population based; formerly known as Byrne) \$36,125,542
 - Reduction of <\$14,113,135>
- 2005 JAG (Part I Crime based; formerly known as LLEBG) \$23,343,886
 - Increase of \$ 6,915,268
- **Total 2005 JAG Population & Part I Crime =** **\$59,469,428**
 - A net reduction to California <\$7,197,867>

EDWARD J. BYRNE MEMORIAL FUND
FFY 2004

The Byrne allocation to California for FFY 2004 was \$50,238,677. Of that, \$1,855,707 was taken by OES for administrative costs. The remaining \$48,382,970 was distributed as follows:

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| • Drug Control Strategy Program
58 Multi-Agency Jurisdictional Drug Task Forces
plus BNE statewide efforts | \$41,476,000 |
| • Marijuana Suppression Program
15 Countywide projects plus BNE statewide efforts | \$ 3,827,036 |
| • Criminal Justice Information System
DOJ statewide information system | \$ 2,511,934 |
| • Legal Training Program
CDAA statewide training on narcotics prosecution | \$ 250,000 |
| • High Technology Theft Apprehension and Prosecution Program
Funds 5 regional high tech. task forces, and five regional identity
theft task forces plus DOJ statewide efforts (augments \$13,300,000
in state general funds). | \$ 218,000 |
| • Evaluations | \$ 100,000 |

In summary, as the State Administering Agency, OES received approximately \$50M in Byrne funding for FFY 2004. OES will receive approximately 28% less (a \$14M reduction) for FFY 2005 in federal funding through the JAG program, or \$36,125,542.

Therefore, the above referenced line items will have to be reduced. OES is in the process of developing funding recommendations for the above referenced allocation, for programs during the 7/1/05-6/30/06 grant period.